

**Amendments to the Specification:**

*Please add the following new paragraph on page 3, beginning on the line immediately following line 17:*

Figure 7 is a block schematic diagram of a further alternative system implementing the present invention.

*Please add the following new paragraph on page 12, beginning on the line immediately following line 8:*

Figure 7 shows a further alternative system in accordance with the invention. The depicted system is identical to that shown in Figure 1, except that: the phone 30 is provided with an external smart card 701 upon which the cryptographic module is realized; and the communication link between the PC 10 and the phone 30 is specifically shown to be a wireless one that utilizes short-range wireless communications transceivers 703, 705, one located in the phone 30 and the other in the PC 10. The line connecting the transceiver 703 and the transceiver 705 schematically indicates that the phone 30 is able to send signals to and receive signals from the PC 10. Remaining aspects of Figure 7 are the same as those shown in Figure 1, and therefore need not be again described.